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US PLANE DOWNED

“Neither Military Nor Justice”

FRANKFURT, Germany, Aug. 12—(P)—Captain Earl Carroll of San Bruno, Calif., denounced the U. S. Army's legal system today after receiving a smuggled appeal for help which resulted in the disclosure that 13 American soldiers and civilians had been held in army jails for as much as two months without facing formal charges or receiving legal counsel.

Carroll, who blasted the army court martial system once before, said it was “neither military nor justice.”

The smuggled appeal was written by Pfc. Daniel P. Walczac, 22, of Detroit, who was jailed June 11 for investigation in the killing of a German girl.

Bob LaFollette In Wisconsin Race

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12, —(P)— Senator Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., takes his politically famous name and 20-year-Senate record into Wisconsin's primary tomorrow against a bitterly opposing Republican organization. The race has strong overtones of national import.

LaFollette is seeking the GOP Senatorial nomination in a battle with Circuit Judge Joseph R. McCarthy, former Marine Captain who carries the party's state convention endorsement.

Was To Meet Her Husband - He Dies In Plane Crash

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 12, —(P)— The U. S. Army had arranged everything.

Mrs. Phyllis Badalate, 20, married less than a year, was to have flown from Philadelphia today to meet her husband, Vincent, an Air Force Lieutenant.

“We regret to inform you. . .” began the telegram that told of his death in the flaming wreckage of a flying boat that crashed Friday into the sea off Oahu.

“There's been a mistake,” Mrs. Badalate cried. “They're wrong, somehow. He is alright and I am going to see him. . . If he is dead I shall weep at his grave.”

But today the young widow cancelled plans for the flight. She will mourn her husband at home.



OJIBWAY DOMICILE—This Ojibway Indian home is just beyond the city limits of Pickle Lake, Ontario, one of the Canadian gold-rush towns pushing back the frontier.

Two More Ships Jewish Immigrants Outside Haifa

JERUSALEM, Aug. 12—(P)—Two more immigrant ships crowded with Jewish refugees anchored just outside Haifa harbor today, adding an explosive pressure to the Palestine situation already tense with reports of a pending British blockade.

Arrival of the two ships brought to 3,900, by Jewish estimate, the number of refugees aboard ship at Haifa or enroute who may not be allowed to land because they are without immigration certificates.

Soldier Is Fired Upon Near Trieste

TRIESTE, Aug. 12, —(P)— The U. S. 88th Division announced today that Pvt. Sutton Fetterman of Glen Campbell, Pa., was fired upon yesterday on the Trieste-Gorizia road. The incident took place at about the same point where another American soldier recently was ambushed and killed.

Fetterman was not hit but a bullet punctured a tire of the Red Cross jeep he was driving.

Fisheries Produce \$63 Million In '44

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12, —(P)— The Fish and Wildlife Service reported Saturday that products of the Alaska Fisheries in 1944 totaled 331,135,071 pounds with a wholesale value of \$63,270,100.

This was a decrease from the preceding year of 1,584,543 pounds in quantity and \$3,246,217 in value.

Salmon products represented 76.2 per cent of the 1944 production.

Youth, 19, Plays “Russian Poker”

ST. PETERS, Pa., Aug. 12, —(P)— A 19-year-old merchant marine staked his life in a game of Russian poker yesterday and drew a losing hand.

The victim was John D. Baldwin, of Pottstown, Pa.

In “Russian Poker” a single bullet is placed in the chamber of a pistol. The “player” spins the chamber, points the gun at his head and pulls the trigger. The bullet is supposed to carry it past the hammer of the gun as the chamber revolves.

Chester County Deputy Coroner Jack MacShip issued a certificate of accidental death. He said the youth was sitting on the porch of his grandmother's home here showing friends how the game was played.

Secy Byrnes Is Criticized By Soviet News Agency

MOSCOW, Aug. 12, —(P)—The Russian press criticized Secretary of State Byrnes today and said the peace conference should go ahead with its work even if this meant postponing the United Nations Assembly meeting from September 23, until the end of the year.

“This simple, logical way, however, apparently does not suit those who already are planning to postpone the Paris conference in order to play some new game behind the back of the conference,” said a Tass dispatch from Paris.

Cannery Workers Have No Union

KETCHIKAN, Aug. 12, —(P)— Cannery workers in Southeastern Alaska were without a certified bargaining agent today following announcement by Ira Polley, examiner for the National Labor Relations Board, that neither the CIO nor AFL had received a majority of the 1,142 eligible voters in a recent election.

The CIO received 481 votes and the AFL 451, Polley said.

Yugoslav Fighter Planes Force Down Army Transport

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Aug. 12, —(P)—Yugoslav fighter planes forced an American C-47 transport to land Friday at Ljubljana and soon afterwards, the Tito government protested to the U. S. Embassy against “ever increasing” violations of Yugoslavia “state sovereignty.”

The note said of the latest incident:

“On August 9 at 1:10 p.m., an American plane of the type C-47 flew over the airfield in Ljubljana at 3,000 meters altitude and circled twice. Despite a call from our fighter planes with international signals and even hand waving for the plane to land, the plane's crew did not heed these calls but attempted to withdraw in the direction of the frontier.

“Only after determined steps were taken by our fighters was the plane forced to land. The huge plane contained eight military and two civilian persons.

“A detailed inquiry has been ordered. This case reveals the sad fact that certain crews not only wilfully violate Yugoslav sovereignty but just as wilfully refuse to submit to calls from Yugoslav planes.”

No comment has come from American sources.

Rockets Fall On Swedish Territory Stockholm Reports

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 12, —(P)— Swedish authorities plan to publish within the next few days a communiqué on an investigation they have been making of the “ghost rockets” that have been streaking daily over Sweden since early July . . . leaving little doubt that the country has become an experimental target range.

Official sources have declined to speculate on the source of the mysterious spool shaped missiles, but it is generally believed that the rocket-propelled objects come from some place along the Baltic coast of Germany. Only in a few cases is it known that the missiles actually landed in Sweden.

Swedish newspapers have been cautioned not to publish the names of places where the rockets appear, so that the senders would not be provided with important data.